Please note that the Opportunity Fund is only open from the 1ˢᵗ of the month through the 15ᵗʰ of the month. It opens every month of the year except for October and April. When the grant is open, you will be able to find the application here:
https://cityofbostonartsandculture.submittable.com/submit/63126/opportunity-fund

Opportunity Fund Working Guidelines

Purpose: This grant aims to support individual artists in activities that continue their education and skill building, or helps them share their work or teach others. Additionally, teachers may use this fund for field trips. This is a pilot program and our guidelines will be evolving.

Eligibility: An artist living or working in the City of Boston (preference will be given to Boston residents); a teacher at a school located in Boston; a teaching artist offering workshops in a Boston Public Library, BCYF Center, senior housing or senior center, or non-profit social service agency. Current Boston Artists in Residence and City of Boston Artist Fellows are not eligible to apply.

Application Cycle: Applications will be accepted starting the first of every month, except October and April when other BCC grant applications are due. Individuals may only receive grant funding from the Opportunity Fund once per year.

Eligible Expenses: This grant will fund specific needs, such as materials, professional development costs, conference fees, travel related to professional development, stipends for teaching artists, field trips, or anything that helps you share your work with the public.

Ineligible Expenses: Grant funds cannot be used for staff salaries or benefits, per diems, or incidental expenses incurred during the conference/professional development experience.

Available Funds: Applicants may request up to $1,000. $10,000 will be available per month until it runs out.

Reporting Requirements: All grantees will be required to submit a final report that describes the outcomes of the experience and how the funds were used. Final reports must be filed online.